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TITLE: CAN COVER WITH A STAY-ON TAB

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of the present application, and prior to an initial Official Action on this matter, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In Paragraph [0004], please substitute the paragraph as follows:

However, the conventional can cover with said stay-on tab has the following disadvantages.

In Paragraph [0018], please substitute the paragraph as follows:

The can cover is often swelled upward by the expansion of the contents of the can. This is likely to occur when the can contains a beer, or a soda water, etc. If the can cover is swelled upward, it may be impossible to provide a stay-on tab having one end and another end thereof respectively inclined upward from the upper surface of the can cover.

In Paragraph [0042], please substitute the paragraph as follows:

The present invention has the following advantages.

IN THE CLAIMS

In Claim 1, please substitute the claim as follows: